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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CHINESE MILITARY DELEGATION

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1. FRENCH CHARGE PAVEC BRIEFED CHARGE JUNE 30 CONCERNING
FOLLOWING INFORMATION HE HAS DEVELOPED REGARDING RECENT CHINESE
MILITARY VISIT. DESPITE HIS PRESENCE IN BRAZZAVILLE,
DEFENSE MINISTER SASSOU-NGUESSO DID NOT RECEIVE CHINESE.
SECONDLY, NO AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BY THE CONGOLESE AND THE
CHINESE. THE CONGOLESE DID ASK FOR MATERIEL AND MILITARY
EQUIPMENT, WHICH REQUEST IS "UNDER STUDY BY THE CHINESE."
FYI: MINISTER OF ENERGY ADADA TOLD CHARGE JUNE 28 THAT
CHINESE HAD INDICATED THAT MATERIEL REQUESTED WOULD BE
FOR SALE, NOT AS GIFT. END FYI. FURTHER, THERE IS NO
TRAINING BY CHINESE OF CONGOLESE MILITARY ENVISAGED FOR
1978-79; AND NO PLANS FOR CHINESE MILITARY TO COME IN
ADVISORY CAPACITY. AT RECEPTION OFFERED BY CONFOLESE,
ONLY REPRESENTATIVES OF ROMANIA, FRANCE, ZAIRE, YUGOSLAVIA,
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AND NORTH KOREA WERE INVITED AMONG DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

2. IN CONVERSATION CHINESE MILITARY ATTACHE LI WEN-PO
HAD THIS WEEK WITH HIS FRENCH COUNTERPART, CHINESE COMMENTED THAT
THERE ARE 900 CUBAN MILITARY NOW IN POINTE-NOIRE, PLUS
ROUGHLY ONE THOUSAND IN TRANSIT. PAVEC COMMENTED TO
CHARGE, HOWEVER, THAT HIS MILITARY ATTACHE HAD IMPRESSION

CHINESE WOULD HAVE AGREED TO ANY ESTIMATE OF ONE
THOUSAND OR ABOVE CUBANS ON WHICH FRENCH SOUGHT THEIR
CONFIRMATION. LI DID NOTE FOR FRENCH THAT 135 CONGOLESE
OFFICERS WILL BE TRAVELING TO MOSCOW NEXT YEAR FOR
MILITARY TRAINING.
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